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In re Patent Application of: Tsutomu Motohashi

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For: INFORMATION RECORDING

REPRODUCING APPARATUS, PROGRAM, COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING

MEDIUM, AND DEFECT FIELD MANAGEMENT METHOD

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2007, please amend the aboveidentified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.